



COMMUTER ALERT

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UPDATE – ROADWORK BEFORE AND AFTER VETERAN'S DAY **PAVING AND GUARDRAIL PROJECT ON SR-18**

SAN BERNARDINO – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) continues with the paving and guardrail project on State Route 18 (SR 18) to mill and overlay pavement and upgrade guardrail on the shoulder. The project is taking place between Lower Waterman Canyon and State Route 138 (SR-138)/Crestline Cutoff. All American Asphalt is working on the \$17 million project, **which is expected to be complete by the beginning of 2019, weather dependent.**

The paving portion of the project has been completed. A sub-contractor will be working over the next couple of weeks to perform High Friction Surface Treatment (HFST) to various locations of SR 18 between SR 138 and Lower Waterman Canyon. HFST's are pavement treatments that dramatically and immediately reduce crashes, injuries, and fatalities associated with friction demand issues, such as:

- A reduction in pavement friction during wet conditions, and/or
- A high friction demand due to vehicle speed and/or roadway geometrics.

The work will begin next week and continue through November 16. The contractor will work on Friday, November 9, and Tuesday, November 13, which are typically holiday moratorium days with no lane closures for Caltrans roadwork. There will be no work on Saturday, Sunday or Monday (Veteran's Day), November 10 through 12. The subcontractor will be permitted to work with one lane closed in either north or southbound SR 18 to meet the work commitment. HFST contractors are difficult to secure due to their specialized work and high demand.

The contractor (All American Asphalt) and subcontractors will continue guardrail work and other roadwork to complete the project with the normal lane closures.

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